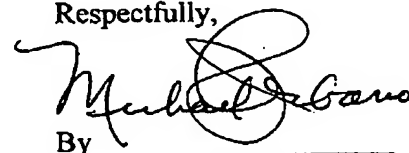


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Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that Applicant's comments serve only to clarify the record and provide no basis for withdrawing the case from issue.

Respectfully,



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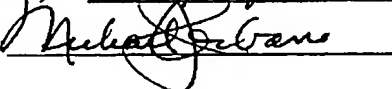
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In the Notice of Allowability of April 1, 2005, the Examiner made the following statement, *inter alia*, in his Reasons for Allowance:

...The prior art also fails to disclose or suggest such a waveguide-based device wherein...such phase matching width is *equal to* the ridge width of the waveguide. Claims 1-16 herein are therefore allowed. (Emphasis added)

Although Applicant agrees with the Examiner's general grounds for allowance of claims 1-16, he must take issue with some of the language used, to the extent that the problem language is inconsistent with independent claims 1 and 16. More specifically, the phrase *equal to* presents the following problem: the phase matching width, as recited in claim 1, line 18 and claim 16, line 31, *need not* be strictly *equal to* the ridge width. Rather, these claims require only that "said ridge width is *essentially equal to* said phase matching width." (Emphasis added)

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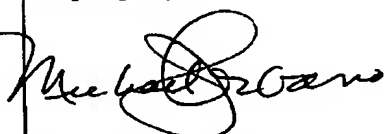
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Mr. Lee:

The attached paper contains Applicants' comments on the "Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance" in the above-captioned patent application..

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